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Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. [10]

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J. R. M. SMITH,
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Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [13]

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Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [14]

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Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [15]

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H. FIGGE,
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [16]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1903. [17]

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E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [18]

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= £ 8,000,000.

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Manager.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1903. [1000]

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PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

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E. W. RUTTER,
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Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [12]

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T. P. COCHRANE,
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Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [11]

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SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA (Passing through the Indian Sea of Japan)	MALTA C. L. W. Field	About 9th October	Mail Steamer.
LONDON, &c.	SIMLA C. D. Goldsmith, R.N.R.	Noon, 10th October	See Special Advertisement.
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Hongkong, 28th September, 1903. [1]

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ROON	WEDNESDAY, 28th October.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 11th November.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 25th November.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 9th December.
KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY, 23rd December.
KIAUTSCHOU	WEDNESDAY, 6th January, 1904.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1904.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, 1904.
GERA	WEDNESDAY, 17th February, 1904.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, 1904.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 16th March, 1904.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th March, 1904.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 13th April, 1904.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1904.

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[1010]

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Shanghai, 6th June, 1903. [6740]

THE MUSCOVITE PLAN IN THE FAR EAST.

Britishers in the Far East have been reduced to a state of despair by the complacent attitude adopted by the British Government in face of the imminent destruction of our trade interests by the threatened annexation and closing of Manchuria by the Russians, their promise of evacuation in September next being naturally regarded as a mere device to gain further time for preparation as well as to reveal possible the interests of Britain, America, and Japan.

"We are unquestionably confronted at the present time," says a well-known British merchant, "by a grave crisis involving the whole future existence of our valuable commercial interests in North China. Let the British people harbour no mistaken notion that Russia attaches any serious meaning to her promises of evacuation or to her pledges about the 'open door.' In the first place she has no intention of sacrificing the enormous expenditure she has undertaken by a voluntary retirement at the last moment; and in the second place her present industrial development will never allow her to compete on equal terms with the great industrial and commercial Powers of the world. The last is the true key to the whole of Russia's political aggression in this quarter.

"It is in order to escape from this very competition in the markets of the West that we have seen her hastening across Siberia to the Far Eastern seas, where she has resolved to find her commercial and industrial salvation by the creation of vast trading preserves out of the opulent provinces of North China. If she is to have anything like a chance of founding this commercial Eldorado, which her domestic and financial position so urgently requires, foreign competition of every kind must be rigidly excluded from these provinces. They must become Russian preserves in the strictest sense of the word. Thus it is that Russia cannot afford to keep her word to those whose trade it is her set purpose to destroy, and all her promises to maintain the open door, with equal trading facilities for her commercial rivals are so much deliberate and calculated subterfuge.

"As we have permitted her to come so far without protest we are ready to agree that her expenditure entitles her to a political predominance in the country. But we will recognise this only upon conditions embracing equal rights for our people to trade, own land, and develop mines in the country, as well as freedom to send our merchant ships and men-of-war into all or certain parts. Unless we obtain these conditions we must oppose her tooth and nail."

But mere political repugnance will not satisfy Russia without the rights of absolute possession. An important journal devoted to Russian commercial interests put the case in a nutshell the other day when it said, "The Russian Government must choose at once between two courses. Either it must evacuate Manchuria immediately without incurring further expenditure, or it must annex the country, and proclaim it a Russian province."

Russia is aware that no other course lies before her. But her policy is to conceal this crucial fact and to trust to patient diplomacy, time, and the peace-at-any-price spirit in Anglo-Saxondom to effect her hidden purposes. The impudence of her pretensions is only equalled by the means taken to secure them. Money being Russia's most pressing need, she has laid hands upon the customs at Newchwang, worth £48,000 a week from British, American, and Japanese trade, as well as the Chinese western customs of the annual value of £45,000, derived chiefly from the junk trade.

While evading the payment of duty on her own trade she has secured its rigid enforcement in the case of all others. Moreover, she has now succeeded in getting a Russian appointed to the control of this important department, and Sir Robert Hart, in weakly permitting the supersession of Mr. Cecil Bowra, the able British commissioner of customs at Newchwang, has excited the disgust and dismay of all British, Americans, and Japanese in China.

Since the triumphs which Russia has been permitted to achieve our merchants and traders have been subjected in an increasing degree to Slavic arrogance of a most intolerable kind.

The Russian military authorities, who have invaded the treaty port, in order to assert their supremacy, are hampering British trade by every means in their power. If a British merchant orders native carts for the carriage of his merchandise it frequently happens that the Russians despatch soldiers to meet them and commandeer the whole for some fictitious purpose of their own. In consequence natives can hardly be got to supply carriage nowadays.

Again, British naval officers ashore have frequently been humiliated and insulted by Russian soldiers, while British and American blue-jackets have constantly had to join forces for their mutual protection against similar abusions of hostility.

By means of pressure exercised at Peking Russia prevents the confirmation of concessions to British and American subjects, and even leases of property already granted by the Chinese. Thus Russia has in effect managed to establish the claim to a sort of veto upon any transaction between the Chinese Government and any other than Russian subjects. Appeals by distracted Britishers to their own authorities have been fruitless, and so low has British prestige sunk in the nervous hands of its recent guardians that British merchants who have complained have been warned by the Russian authorities against repeating this offence on pain of greater disabilities than they were already enduring.

Indeed, if any further evidence is needed of this deplorable debacle it is to be found in the fact that an Englishman seeking legal redress against a Chinaman finds it quite useless to solicit the support of his own national representative. The Chinaman simply treats with contempt the protests of these discredited officials whose back is a Power with a great

gelatinous mass of inertia unwilling or incapable of asserting itself.

Accordingly, a British subject is reduced to the humiliating expedient of exploiting the prestige of some other European Power. He goes to a Frenchman, a German, or a Russian, and the Chinaman, recognising at once that it is no longer a trifling matter, the case is settled, and the Britisher thus vicariously obtains his rights, to the eternal disgrace of his own emasculated government.

Naturally enough Russia plays upon this state of things for all it is worth, and may be pardoned for believing that Great Britain will swallow any amount of bluff, or put up with any commercial disability rather than fight for her rights. It is this belief which caused the Crimean war, and which is now inducing Russia—little as she intends to fight any genuine opposition—to parade a readiness to support her aggression by force of arms if need be. Although, as Russians have themselves confessed, her near Eastern interests are too vital to be jeopardised by an expenditure of her military and naval resources in the China seas, Russia is ostentatiously accumulating large supplies of warlike stores at Port Arthur, Dally, and Newchwang, as well as throwing up forts and earthworks in various parts of Manchuria. She is daily adding to her already large force in North China and has long been secretly training a native army of Chinese under Russian officers.

The next few months will decide whether or not Manchuria but Mongolia, Kashgaria, and probably Korea as well are to be enclosed within the barbed wire fence of the Russian Empire. Russia, in the meantime, has dispatched to the scene her very ablest diplomats, while by a singular fatality British interests have been deprived of the only personality capable of coping successfully with Russian diplomacy at a critical stage in the history of our China trade. That Sir Ernest Satow, the ablest British Minister since the days of Sir Henry Parkes, should have been withdrawn for so long a period at such a time is the worst possible proof of the invertebrate management of our Foreign Office.

The present British Government has always professed an especial solicitude for Imperial interests. But this great idea cannot invariably be pursued along the line of least resistance, and Imperial tariffs will do little to toughen the sinews of Empire if we evince no disposition to protect our trade and commerce from such wanton attacks as those which Russia is making in North China.

But the Muscovite has no intention of pushing his attempted burglary to the arbitrament of war. All that is needed is a firm front in conjunction with those who have interests like our own to protect. Let the British people, therefore, wake up to the realisation of what is at stake, and refuse to submit to a great humiliation on the threshold of their new Imperial aspirations.—*St. James's Gazette.*

Intimations.

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LAU RUE TONG, Manager, The Hongkong Frozen Food Supply, Hongkong, 25th September, 1903. [1176]

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Colombia Graphophones and Records. Early inspection invited.

RITCHIE & CO., 39, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, 25th September, 1903. [1168]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN FRAGILE will be carried out from Stonecutter's Island on the 30th September, 1903, at targets in a Westerly direction, to the South of Chung Hui Island.

Practice will commence at about 8.30 A.M. and end at about 10 A.M. if the range is clear.

By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary, Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [1151]

CHINESE AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY.

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MEE CHEUNG, PHOTOGRAPHER.

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Hongkong, 2nd September, 1903. [1161]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

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BIRTHS.

On the 27th of August, at London Mission, Peking, the wife of the Rev. T. HOWARD SMITH, of a daughter.

On the 28th September, at 6 a.m., at the Government Civil Hospital, the wife of JAS. LOCHHEAD, of a son. [178d]

MARRIAGE.

On the 21st September, at Shanghai, W. KELLY, M.D., and Miss G. M. Hill, both of Changsha, Hunan.

DEATHS.

On the 21st September, at No. 14, Kwen-ming Road, Shanghai, JOHN FLOON, aged 71 years.

On the 21st September, at No. 9, Markham Road, Shanghai, WALTER PARRATT STANDING, infant child of T. Arthur and Hilda J. A. Standing, aged 13 months.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPT. 28, 1903.

THE OUTLOOK IN FRENCH INDO-CHINA.

In an opening speech delivered a few days ago before the *Conseil Supérieur* in Saigon, M. Beau, Governor-General of the colony, gave an exhaustive and most interesting review of the political and fiscal condition of France's immense possessions in the East. He opened his address by calling attention to the critical situation of the finances of the colony at the outset of his administration, which was due to an error on the part of his predecessor, M. Doumer, in establishing the budget for 1902 at the rate of 2 fcs. 40 to the piastre. The subsequent depreciation of silver reduced the value of this coin to 2 francs and, in consequence, the colony was menaced with a prospective deficit, which, had the low rate of exchange continued, would have amounted to one-sixth of the total of the budget itself. However, within the last few months the outlook has brightened considerably owing to the unexpected rise in silver. Thanks to the increase of receipts through the main sources of revenue the accounts for 1902 now show a surplus of \$929,000. M. Beau informed his hearers that further improvements in revenue were to be expected owing to a more rigorous application of excise measures with regard to the government monopoly of opium, and also to the fact that the selling price of the drug has been raised considerably. It is worthy of remark that the Governor-General waxed eloquent on the immense importance he attaches to the better development of the agricultural resources of the colony. To that end, he declared, the government had decided to devote a sum of \$25,000 for establishing a college in the colony, at which the pioneer colonists could obtain, free of all charge, practical knowledge in tropical cultivation. M. Beau stated that a preliminary sum of \$50,000 would be employed in erecting a dam on the Song-Thuong river, by means of which a large plain near Kep, of some 15,000 acres, would become fit for cultivation, and that this was but a beginning of a series of similar works of public utility undertaken by the government. He also declared that the soil was very favourable to the cultivation of the cotton plant and, though its production had increased with large strides, there was room for great improvement in that respect since no less than 155,635 tons of Indian and Japanese fibre had, according to the last annual returns, been imported into the country. He also cited other products which it was expected could be made to thrive with State aid, such as silk, cotton, ramie, jute, sugar and copra. The Governor acknowledged that the principal obstacle in the way of planters in Indo-China was the scarcity of good agricultural labour, notwithstanding that some parts of the country are overpopulated and that China, that great cooie-market, is so close at hand. Referring to the prejudice existing amongst French colonists against employing Chinese, he stated that the drawbacks mentioned would most surely be outweighed by the advantages which would accrue to the colony, by reason of the keen commercial instinct of the Celestials. He declared that he admires still more their good qualities as cultivators of the soil and seeks to encourage the immigration of Chinese cultivators by lessening the burden of taxation on them, and by giving facilities for settling them upon the land, especially in Lower Tonquin where cultivators are badly wanted. He has drawn up schemes for filling up with Chinese the waste lands of Annam, Cambodia, and Laos, since the natives of those districts are of little value as labourers. The Governor-General intends

to frame laws punishing with great severity malingering, breach of contracts, and desertion. M. Beau informed his hearers that measures were being taken by the government to increase the revenues obtained from the forest lands, to check usury and to set on foot loan banks with the aid of financiers in the metropolis. The Governor-General made several statements concerning the numerous public works in hand, or projected, the most important being the building of the Tonquin-Yunnan railway, the construction of good roads in Laos as a means of penetration to the immense mineral wealth which exists there, and the execution of important harbour work in Saigon and Haiphong and the establishing of new ports on the coast of Annam with a view to profit the export trade there. Speaking of Saigon, the Governor-General congratulated the Messageries Maritimes Company on its activity, and hoped that it would continue in the same direction, when the harbour improvements there once take effect. A direct steamer line from Saigon to Java would then become possible. M. Beau is bringing forward schemes for subsidising steamer lines to ply regularly, and in addition to the M. M. boats, between Saigon and China. Trade, he declared, had greatly increased during the past year and the port returns showed an augmentation in tonnage of 96,701 tons. Cables and telegraph lines are to receive the attention of the authorities, the present system will be considerably extended and a new method of instructing public servants in a better knowledge of native language and customs is to be adopted. The Governor-General enlarged on the peace, order and progress manifested by the colony and terminated his discourse by announcing that the defences of Indo-China both by land and sea were to be strongly reinforced in the near future. We need hardly mention that, like all official statements of such nature, this eloquent and elaborate discourse must be digested *cum grano salis*.

A ROYAL BIRTHDAY.

Our recent alliance with Portugal whereby the harbours and territories of the Iberian Peninsula are made secure against falling under the influence of any contingently hostile Powers, brings more into prominence the rulers of that country whose birthdays are being celebrated to-day; and had it not been for the unfortunate indisposition of *Conselheiro* Senhor A. G. Romano, Consul-General for Portugal, the occasion would have been honoured in the Colony by the usual function at Arbuthnot Road. It was just forty years ago that King Carlos I. was born near Laibach, a small town in the Austrian province of Illyria and, singularly enough, the same day, Amelia, who was afterwards to be his wife, was brought into the world. Brave and energetic as a soldier, and merciful as a man, King Carlos of Portugal and the Algarves has gained in an extraordinary degree the affection of those who come into contact with him; while in his wife, a descendant of one of the oldest families in Europe, tracing their descent back to Boadicea of England, His Most Faithful Majesty has a companion ever ready to take up her share of the Imperial burden and help, as much as in her lies, her husband in governing the fourth colonial power of the world.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H. M. S. *Glory* arrived here from Nagasaki and Wei-hai-wei on Saturday afternoon.

It is reported that the Chief Justice, Sir W. M. Goodman, proceeds to England on leave next spring.

One more chance to buy a Kodak for \$5; a good Kodak. LeMunyon, 31, Des Voeux Road.—*Adv.*

FOR walking on the footpath with two large baskets attached to a bamboo pole, a coolie was fined \$5, or ten days' hard labour.

A LARGE consignment of the new Straits dollars is said to have arrived at Singapore from Bombay by the P. and O. s.s. *Coromandel*.

CHARLES Nobin, a seaman, was fined \$5 or seven days' hard labour for being drunk and incapable in the public street on Saturday night.

WE read in the Portuguese papers that a new military contingent, consisting of 187 men, is shortly to leave Lisbon by the transport *Africa* for Macao.

IT is reported from Washington that an order issued by the Treasury Department directs that all sugars imported into the United States must be accompanied by a certificate of origin.

FOR stealing a piece of brass, value \$2.50, the property of the Quarry Bay shipyard, at Shau-ki-wan, yesterday afternoon a Chinaman was sent to prison for one month with hard labour.

THE master of the steam launch *Chan Wai* attended before Mr. Sercombe Smith on a charge of neglecting to fly the flag while having twenty cases of kerosene on board. His Worship imposed a fine of \$50 or one month's imprisonment.

COMMANDER Helm speaks highly of the new coastguard steamers *Minidoro* and *Samar*, which have arrived at Manila from Shanghai. It is thought that twelve knots can be got out of them without undue pressure.

POPE Pius X. is preparing an encyclical to the Bishops of the Church. What it will deal with is still unknown. The Pope has appointed Protonotary Wilpert Secretary of State to succeed Cardinal Rampolla.

A VIENNA correspondent says that Austria and Russia have finally refused to aid Bulgaria in efforts against Turkey, or to look after the policing of Macedonia in the interests of the people of that country.

DURING the week ended at noon on Saturday two fatal cases of plague and one of cholera were reported as having occurred in the Colony. Since January 1st 1,410 plague cases have been notified, 1,237 of which proved fatal.

At a meeting of the Straits Legislative Council on 18th inst., Mr. G. S. Murray asked if the Coin Import and Export Bill had been brought in with any intention on the part of the Government of ultimately prohibiting the circulation of British or Mexican dollars in the colony? The Governor replied that he could give his assurance the Government had no such intention.

THE estimated population of the whole of the Straits Settlements for the year 1902 was 58,219. The births registered were 14,511 and the deaths 24,970; giving respectively birth and death rates of 24.96 per mille. In 1901 the births numbered 14,568 or 25.37 per thousand and the deaths 22,876 or 39.85 per thousand.

A NATIVE was charged at the Magistracy this morning with unlawfully and maliciously damaging a tile moulding machine, to the extent of \$30, the property of the Green Island Cement Company, at Deep Water Bay, on the afternoon of the 26th inst. Defendant was discharged, as he evidence did not show that the damage was done intentionally.

IN spite of all efforts of Governor Chou Fu of Shanghai to prevent it, the Huangho has broken its banks near Ninghai, in Lishing prefecture. The break is about 300 Chinese feet long. No human lives were lost, thanks to the precaution taken by the Governor. The Chinese Government recently refused funds to repair the banks, asked for by the Governor.

AUGUST was quite a busy month for Sandakan, 29 vessels entering the port, totalling 13,242 tons, and 27 vessels clearing, totalling 14,163 tons. Of the entries 19 were British, tonnage 5,937, 9 were German, tonnage 6,922, and 1 was under the Norwegian flag, 383 tons. 17 British vessels cleared, 6,858 tons, 9 German, 6,922 tons, and 1 Norwegian, 383 tons.—*S.F.P.*

Francing, fancy and artistically done by LeMunyon, 31, Des Voeux Road.—*Adv.*

THE Commander-in-Chief at Devonport has informed the officers and men who have recently returned from H.M.S. *Ocean*, on the China station, that the Admiralty has expressed approval of the consistent care and attention to gunnery which must have been shown by them during the vessel's last commission, resulting in steady improvement in prize-firing, until, in 1902, the *Ocean* stood first in the Navy with both 12-inch and 6-inch guns.

POLLARD's performances at the Theatre Royal continue to attract good houses, and when *What Happened to Jones* was staged for a second time on Saturday there were very few vacant seats. To-night and to-morrow that most laughable of all farces, *Are you a Mason*, is to occupy the boards, and on Wednesday *Why Smith left Home* will be presented. For Friday a special bill is being prepared as a farewell performance.

IT is generally believed amongst the business men who are acquainted with Mr. A. H. Stewart, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms in the United States Senate, who has been in the Philippine Islands for the last three months studying the results of the Chinese Exclusion Act in its application there, and who is a special agent of the State Department of the U. S. Government that, upon his return to the United States, he will recommend that the Chinese Exclusion Act be abolished in so far as it applies to the Philippine Islands.

THE new Supreme Court was opened at Penang on 17th inst., and, according to the local *Gazette*, the "opening ceremony" attendant upon the entry of the building by His Majesty's judicial officials was not made the occasion for a grand, impressive ceremonial quite the reverse. The action of Government in this respect is perhaps no less to be regretted than the false economy that has been practised as regards the furniture provided; which is unworthy the honour of a place in a British Courtroom. It cannot be described as anything but "cheap and nasty."

TWO Chinese Jukongs, had an excited quarrel at about 3 o'clock this morning in Queen's Road East. One of them struck the other on the face with his fist, and his adversary drew his sword. An Indian constable intervened and separated the celestials, who then proceeded to No. 2 Police Station to report the matter. The officer in charge, heard their respective tales, and sent them out on duty, and subsequently charged them this morning, for misbehaviour in the street. At the Magistracy one had to pay \$30, or one month, while the other got off with \$15, or the like alternative.

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Do your own developing without a dark room by using an Eastman developing machine. LeMunyon.—*Adv.*

A NATIVE was sentenced to one month's hard labour at the Magistracy this morning for feloniously breaking into a dwelling house, at No. 12 Lo Ling Hang Street, at Hung Hom, and stealing a blanket, and five pieces of clothing, value about \$8.50.

FOURTEEN days' imprisonment was the sentence passed by Mr. Sercombe Smith at the Magistracy this morning upon a carpenter employed at the Cosmopolitan Docks for stealing two cattle of sugar, value 18 cents, the property of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co.

A WASHINGTON wire, dated 24th inst., reports that the Secretary of the Treasury has called in \$20,000,000 worth of bonds. This is in accordance with the plan of refunding the national debt. The national debt of the United States on July 1, 1903, amounted to \$2,158,610,445.89.

THE Danish expedition to Greenland, commanded by Henry Ette, has arrived at Tromsø in a demoralized condition. It passed the winter in Spitzbergen, where two of the crew died and the others suffered from scurvy. It is asserted by members of the crew that the tinned provisions were uneatable, and for this and other reasons they threaten to prosecute Ette. It was the purpose of the expedition to kill and catch valuable animals beyond the frontier of the Danish monopoly, along the northern coast of Greenland. The enterprise proved commercially profitable. Thirty-six white bears were shot in Spitzbergen.

H. E. KO FENG-SHIH, retiring Governor of Kiangsi and Governor-designate of Kwangsi, handed over the seals of the former post to his successor at Nanchang, H. E. Hsia Shih, on the 10th instant. The latter will be remembered by foreigners in Chungking, Szechuan province, as Tantai of that city in 1898. H. E. Feng-shih, after handing over the seals of the Kiangsi Governorship, is expected to leave Nanchang for his new post in Kwangsi province almost immediately owing to urgent telegrams from Viceroy Tsen Ch'un-shien, who is naturally exceedingly anxious for the former's presence in Kwangsi.—*N. C. D. News.*

Fresh Kodak film, plenty of them, at LeMunyon's, 31, Des Voeux Road.—*Adv.*

A STRANGE accident happened a while ago on a steamer which was passing through the Red Sea. An assistant steward had occasion to go to the ship's ice-room to fetch something which had been forgotten when the provisions were given out in the morning. The man was not missed for a considerable time, and when search was made the poor fellow was discovered nearly frozen to death. Someone had thoughtlessly slammed the door which could only be opened on the outside. The poor fellow had done what he could to attract attention, but failing, he had sunk on the floor in an exhausted condition. Fortunately, the head-steward missed the keys, and this led to the discovery of his assistant. If the man had not been found till the next day, he would have been the first on record to have been frozen to death in the hottest part of the world.

At the instance of Inspector Kerr, a marine store dealer was charged before Mr. Sercombe Smith at the Magistracy this morning with being in unlawful possession of 135 pounds of Manila rope, value about \$36, and 55 lbs. of copper wire, value about \$18, reasonably suspected to have been stolen, or unlawfully obtained from a shop at No. 158 Reclamation Street, Yau-ma-tei, yesterday afternoon, and also with being a holder of a licence failing to enter in his book an account of the rope and wire, found in his possession. His Worship sent him to goal for four months' on the first charge, and fined him \$50, or two months' hard labour on the second. Mr. d'Almada subsequently applied for the rehearing of the case in which a marine store dealer was charged with being in unlawful possession of Manila rope and steel wire. Mr. Sercombe Smith refused the application, observing that the case was very clear.

THE Finns, even in their great distress, have not forgotten their national sense of humour. Unable to make any effective political resistance to the faithless encroachment on their liberties made by the Government of the Tsar, they adopted a policy of retaliation that must have been singularly irritating to their victims. In the last year or so even a Russian subject, let alone a Russian officer, had the greatest difficulty in getting a drink at a Finnish restaurant or accommodation at a Finnish hotel. It was a case of "No Russians served here," and the policy naturally caused great inconvenience at a time when Finland was being flooded with Russians. At last, however, the authorities have taken cognizance of this system of attack; and now, under pain of a heavy fine, the Finnish hotel-keeper has to admit any who come to him for accommodation. It will be interesting to watch whether Finnish ingenuity can devise any other method of obstructing the Russification of their beloved country.

THE INTERPORT TEAM.

After the match on Saturday in which Hancock's XII beat Smith's XIII by 99 runs, the team to represent Hongkong in the Interport match was selected as follows:—P. Hancock (Captain), J. T. Dixon, Lt. Lumsden, R.A., W. C. D. Turner, H. Arthur, Lt. Smith, R.A., H. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, C. R. S. Cooper, R. E. C. Bird, and A. G. Ward. A. R. Lowe or J. P. Lee will most probably accompany the team as reserves.

SMOKING CONCERT.

AT THE H. N. BARBACON.

A jovial company sat smoking in the Chaplain's room at the Naval Yard, on Saturday evening and listened to a varied programme of instrumental and vocal music, arranged by the naval ratings and police of the Naval Yard and R. N. Hospital. Mr. W. Pearce presided, and was supported by Messrs. Gilbert, Campbell, Vicary, Tucker, Motherway and Parks (committee). Messrs. Cheshire and Berry having opened the concert, the Chairman submitted "The King," and the toast was received with the enthusiasm characteristic of his subjects. Then followed a long selection of songs interspersed with the toasts "Our Guests," and "Absent Friends." Those contributing to the programme included Messrs. Boffey, Gilbert, Armitage, Moore, Munge, Hoskin, Reynolds, Burgess, Rogers, Burnett, Jack, McLean, Varney, and Gilbert. At the close a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Chairman, and all those who had in any way contributed to the entertainment.

SERGEANT-MAJOR POWER CHARGED.

WITH EMBEZZLEMENT.

At the Magistracy this afternoon Sergeant-Major Power, of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, was charged, before Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, with embezzling between the 12th and 18th inst., \$464.93 from the funds of the Corps. He pleaded not guilty and was undefended. P. C. Deveney deposed that at about 6.40 on the 27th inst., he proceeded to the Happy Retreat Restaurant, at Wong-Nei-Chong, and saw defendant whom he arrested by virtue of a warrant, and then took him to the Central Police Station. His Worship adjourned the case until Friday afternoon, bail being refused.

LAUNCH OF A TORPEDO-BOAT AT SAIGON.

On the 12th instant the torpedo-boat *S S* was successfully launched from the French Naval Yard, at Saigon. This little vessel, which has a displacement of 90 tons, is the third of her class constructed at that port. She is 113 feet long with a breadth of beam of 14 feet and can steam at a speed of 24 knots. This boat carries sufficient coal in her bunkers to cover 2,000 miles at 10 knots. Her armament consists of 2 Q F. guns and two torpedo-tubes and she carries a crew of 23 men. No particular speed was attained in her construction, however, for her keel was laid down on the 22nd July last year; nevertheless this is a sign of the times and another proof of the go-ahead condition of naval construction in the East. Our neighbours are to be congratulated on their enterprise and its success.

THE S.S. "AMIRAL GUEYDON."

Although the French steamer *Amiral Gueydon* (Capt. Logre) which left Marseilles in July, and was last heard of at Suez on July 22, outward-bound for Colombo, Singapore, Saigon, and China, has not arrived here yet, the agents of the line, Moine Comte and Co., have not given up hope. The vessel is comparatively new, having been launched two years ago, and is said to have on board twenty passengers and a crew of fifty besides valuable cargo. She is of 6,000 tons, and has made a number of voyages here, but is now nearly sixty days out from Suez and nothing has been heard of her. It was supposed at one time that some wreckage on the East coast of Socotra, which was seen by a Blue Funnel steamer on August 3, was that of the *Gueydon*, but the firm in Paris have recently communicated with the agents at Singapore, to say that this is now thought to be the wreckage of the s.s. *Klek* from Australia, which left Colombo on July 10, and has not been since heard of. The firm still hope that she will turn up, and point out that quite recently, in Jan. last, a vessel of their Atlantic line lost her propeller in the Atlantic, and had to take to sails, with the result that though carried far out of her course, she managed to make port safe and sound, after fifty-nine days' wet and news. It is thought that very likely a similar accident may have occurred to the *Gueydon*, as it would appear strange that a vessel of her size could go down on such a busy route, without any wreckage being seen by other ships.—*S.F.P.*

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Zieler*) to-morrow.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) to-morrow.
French (*Ernest Simons*) 3rd prox.
Indian (*Laisant*) 5th prox.
American (*Gladis*) 6th prox.
Australian (*Tisnap*) 12th prox.
Canadian (*Athenian*) 13th prox.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Shanghai* left Singapore for this port on 26th inst., at 8 a.m.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Ernest Simons* with the next French Mail will leave Singapore to-day at 3 p.m. for this port via Saigon.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Zieler* left Shanghai at noon on the 26th inst., and may be expected here on Tuesday, at daylight.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Yokohama Maru* (Bombay Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on 27th inst., and is expected to arrive here on 4th prox.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Nagasaki at 8 a.m. on 28th inst., and left again at 5 p.m. same day, for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 5 a.m. on 29th inst.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

Canton Viceroy Arrives.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, Sept. 28th, 3 40 p.m.

H.E. Viceroy Tsen Chun-hsuen, of the Two Kwang, arrived here from Kwangsi at ten o'clock this morning.

(Reuter's.)

The Near East.

LONDON, 25th September.

The Russian Government publishes an official note declaring that neither Turkey nor Bulgaria will receive support from any quarter if they secretly or openly resist the execution of the Austro-Russian reform scheme formulated in the spring with the approval of the Powers. Austria has published a similar statement and adds that if these warnings are disregarded, whatever sacrifices Turkey or Bulgaria may make will be useless, as the Powers are resolved to permit no change in the status quo.

LATER.

Bulgaria yesterday demanded that the Porte withdraw or reduce the number of troops on the frontier. The Porte replied by complaining of the Bulgarian mobilisation.

Austria-Hungary.

Loyalty to the throne has induced the Ministerialists in Hungary to accept the declaration of the Emperor Francis, but the Kossuth party has provoked a frantic scene in the Diet, one deputy declaring that he had lost faith in the King's word.

Autumn Tour of the Viceroy of India.

26th September.

In the autumn, the Viceroy of India will visit Muscat and the ports in the Persian Gulf, escorted by the Admiral and a number of ships of the East Indian Squadron to inspect the Indian political posts there and to visit the chiefs in the Arab shores who are in treaty with Great Britain. Sir Arthur Hardinge, British Minister at Teheran, will meet the Viceroy at the entrance of the Gulf.

The New Cabinet.

Mr. Balfour is still at Balmoral.

The Balkan Trouble.

The Sultan has appointed a Reform Commission consisting of one Mussulman and four Christians with Hilmi Pasha as President.

FRENCH MAIL STEAMER AGROUND.

IN THE INLAND SEA.

SERIOUSLY DAMAGED.

Mr. G. de Champeaux, the Hongkong agent of the Messageries Maritimes, writing under today's date, says:—

"I am sorry to inform you that I was in receipt yesterday of a telegraphic advice from Kobe to the effect that the s.s. *Australien*, while on her way from Kobe to Shanghai, went aground in the Inland Sea at a distance of about 170 miles from Kobe, but was expected to be floated in the afternoon of the same day.

"Another telegram, received this morning, states that the *Australien* was still aground and had sustained rather serious damage to her hull. She will not proceed on her voyage, and the s.s. *Amann* will, in consequence, take her place for the next homeward voyage to Europe with departure from Hongkong on October 6th. The *Australien* will go to dock at Kobe."

MACAO ARMS LICENCE.

In our issue of Friday last we published an article from a Macao correspondent about the legislation for the carrying and possession of arms in the Portuguese colony. The local enactment created an invidious distinction which, our correspondent was of opinion should be done away with by the abrogation of the law. Thanks to Governor Novais, we learn today that His Excellency has issued a notification revoking the measure under which all persons in Macao were compelled, under penalty, to obtain a licence, on the payment of a fee, for the carrying and possession of arms for sporting purposes. This step is one that is sure to cause considerable satisfaction amongst sportsmen in the neighbouring colony. We congratulate Governor Novais upon the wisdom of the action partly, if not wholly, dictated by popular representation.

CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING COMPANY, LTD.

We understand, on very good authority, that Colonel Browne, R.E., who was in China as Director of Railways during the military occupation, was offered the position now held by Colonel T. R. Wynne in the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., but for some reason the matter fell through. Colonel Wynne has been asked to stay on till March, 1904.

Mr. J. Ker-ton has just arrived for the Company as Inspector of Coal Mines.

Mr. L. Boulanger has also come out as engineer for Lin-shi in place of Mr. van der Taelen who goes home.

The above news we received too late for confirmation but we imagine, from the source derived, it is absolutely correct. —P. G. T. Times, 28th Sept. 1903.

THE RICKSHA STRIKE.

WORK RESUMED.

The inconvenience experienced on Saturday by the sudden disappearance of public rickshas from the principal streets of the city was soon overcome by the firm action of the police in getting the strikers to resume work. Long lines of deserted vehicles were left at Wanchai and West Point, while the pullers held informal meetings at street corners and eagerly discussed the situation. About half-past six one of the foremen, after an interview with the police, endeavoured to get the men to resume work, and the Eastern section was ordered to send out thirty rickshas without delay. They were not very keen on resuming work, feeling sure that other coolies would resent their action, but the police were on the look-out for any disorderly conduct, and shortly after 7.30 the rickshas rattled towards the central district and soon found fares. One, however, came to grief. He was engaged to take a native to Shek-long-island, and had proceeded as far as the Canton wharf when a band of unwilling workers interfered, threatened the coolie, threw the fare into the road, and damaged the ricksha. But the man soon saw that it was useless to endeavour to persuade the coolies from resuming work, and by Sunday morning the usual force of ricksha men had turned out.

THE SEQUEL.

There were several disturbances in various parts of the town during the progress of the strike, and the names of not a few intimidators appeared on the calendar at the Police Court this morning. One gang of men was sent to gaol for two months with hard labour for assaulting a ricksha coolie with intent to hinder or prevent him from exercising his lawful occupation as a public ricksha driver, and was ordered to pay \$5 compensation, or fourteen days' hard labour for damaging a ricksha. In another instance coolies were fined for stone throwing and creating disturbances.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the twenty-second ordinary general meeting, to be held at the offices of the General Agents, on Thursday, the 22nd October, at noon.

The general agents and consulting committee beg to submit to the shareholders the final accounts for the year 1902.

1902 Account.—The result of the year's working is a credit balance \$360,551.96, out of which, and with the approval of the shareholders, it is proposed to pay a dividend of 30% (= \$108 per share), to add \$50,000 to the reserve fund, raising the latter to \$1,300,000, to appropriate \$50,000 for the formation of a re-insurance fund and to carry forward the balance of \$110,551.96 to the current year's account.

1903 Account.—The working of the office compares favourably with that of last year at a similar period.

Consulting Committee.—Since the last meeting Mr. D. M. Moses has resigned his seat. To meet this vacancy Mr. F. Shellim was nominated and his appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders. The present members, The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Messrs. D. E. Brown, F. Maitland, J. H. Lewis and E. Shellim retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. H. Potts and R. Chatterton Wilcox, and their re-election is recommended.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1902.

Liabilities.	
Capital subscribed	\$1,500,000.00
Amount paid-up	\$500,000.00
Reserve fund	1,250,000.00
Outstanding dividends	70,000.00
Accounts payable	120,000.00
Balance of working account, 1902	360,551.96
	\$2,237,597.96

Assets.	
Cash on current account with Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$133,842.67
Fixed deposits, with banks in Hongkong	225,000.00
Mortgages and debentures, in Hongkong and Shanghai	1,393,756.86
Chinese Imperial Government Loan, 1886	51,388.10
United States Bonds, 4% Loan, 1905	400,000.00
Interest accrued but not yet payable	33,610.33
	\$2,237,597.96

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1902.

To amount brought forward from last account	\$80,956.99
Net premium received, less returns and reinsurance	1,527,573.41
Exchange	6,839.92
Interest	148,668.53
Transfer fees	48.00
	\$1,762,586.85

By losses and claims paid, charges, including directors' auditors' and survey fees, agents' expenses, &c.	\$1,162,052.93
Commissions	101,480.30
Balance as above	138,101.66
	\$1,762,586.85

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

We have compared the above statements with the books, vouchers and securities, and found the same correct.

W. HUTTON POTTS, R. CHATTERTON WILCOX, Auditors.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

At a meeting on Thursday next, The Honourable H. E. Pollock will ask the Colonial Secretary:

1. What was the nature of the inquiries which were made by the Government for the purpose of ascertaining how many vacant stores there were in the City of Victoria and in Kowloon in July last?

2. With reference to your answer to the 5th question which I put to you at the last meeting of the Legislative Council, is the contract which you referred to in that answer, a contract for training the nallah in question right down the northern face of the hill from top to bottom? What is the contract price for that work and what is the date which is fixed for completion of it?

3. Are any steps being taken for the improvement of the Detective Branch of the Police Force with a view to the surer detection of serious crimes?

4. What inducements are held out to Police Officers for the study of the Chinese language? To the Honourable the Director of Public Works:

1. Where is the site of the large flushing tank which you referred to in your answer to my first question to you at the last meeting of the Legislative Council? What is the contract price for such tank and what is the date which is fixed for its completion?

2. What materials are being used for mending the roads in—

(a) the City of Victoria; and

(b) the Kowloon Peninsula?

Who recommended the use of such materials and for how long have such materials been in use? Is it not practicable to procure a more durable mixture for mending those roads? What officers of the Public Works Department (giving their names and official designations) are responsible for the supervision of the mending of those roads?

THE STRAITS CURRENCY.

During the discussion following the Chairman's speech at the half-yearly meeting of the Singapore Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Huttenbach, in dealing with the currency question, said that now the Chamber had left the matter to the Government it must be left there, meaning that even though a mistake had been made, it must now be left alone. Personally, he was strongly of opinion, for whatever that opinion was worth, not only that a mistake had been made, but that it was a mistake which threatened the whole trade of this Colony. We were placed in a very different position to that occupied by ports on a continent, because such ports, in the event of difficulties occurring, could get their trade back. But in the case of a port situated as Singapore is the trade, having once been filched away, could never come back. If it could clearly be shown that there was a mistake made, not shown dogmatically but the production of what he might call the bacillus of the disease—then there might be a chance of the Chamber still moving, and since the resignation of Mr. Chamberlain had taken place, there might be all the more chance of this decision being revised. On the other hand, if it were a dictum as laid down by the Chairman that now that the Chamber had committed itself it must not budge, even though with open eyes it saw the creation of generations broken down, then there was nothing more to be said. He did not think the Chamber was committed. He did not quite understand the attitude of the Chamber; it did not seem to have really done anything in a matter which should have engaged its attention most. It was true that the committee had passed a resolution upholding the principle of fixity, but they had not accepted the scheme in detail. They could not have accepted it, because as he read the Articles of Association, a matter concerning the trade of this and the outputs had to be passed by the whole Chamber, not by the committee. If the Chamber now liked to take the matter in hand, his who's time and weak lights would be at its service that the matter might be argued to the bottom and a conclusion arrived at. There were many matters on which such argument was desirable. For instance, the prohibition of importation of coin bill now put forward could be rendered useless at once; what was to prevent a couple of hundred thousand dollars being imported over the frontier of Kedah.

The Chairman pointed out that the resolution passed by the Committee was subsequently approved by the whole Chamber as embodied in the Report for 1902. He would only like to add in connection with the Advisory Committee on Currency, that there was no secrecy at all about their deliberations. The conclusions arrived were open to any member of the Chamber; and he was quite sure the members of the Advisory Committee would be only too glad to receive any suggestions from Mr. Huttenbach as to the dangers he had indicated. The Advisory Committee would be only too glad to bring such suggestions before the Chamber and, if necessary before the Government (hear, hear).

Concluding his remarks in an interview with a representative of the *Straits Times*, on the Ordinance prohibiting the import of coins into the Straits Settlements, Mr. Huttenbach observed:—"In any case the passage of this measure may mark a turning point in the prosperity of these Settlements, and it may mean the end of that prosperity. The responsibility is a great one. Whose is it? On whose shoulders must it rest?—On those of the Commission who left the decision entirely to the people and Government of the Straits Settlements?—on those of the local Government?—on those of the public? or those of the entirely unconstitutional Advisory Committee of the Singapore Chamber of Commerce?"

"Whoever may ultimately have to assume this burden, however, it is not yet too late to modify the measure to suit the requirements of local commercial interests. The many who believe in the 'wail word'—The Hinteind with the Straits' have still time to organize, act, and save the situation."

THE KWANGSI TROUBLES.

It is reported from reliable sources in Canton mandarin circles that, having nearly exhausted all the modern arms and ammunition available in the Canton arsenals and ordnance godowns of that province, as well as drawn freely upon the arsenals in Shanghai, Nanking, and Wuchang, the total number in rifles from the above places being nearly 164,000, with sufficient ammunition amounting to 600 cartridges for each rifle, H.E. Viceroy Tsen Ch'un-hsien has lately further applied to the high authorities of Foochow for more arms and ammunition. In compliance with H.E.'s request twenty-five large sea-going cargo junks were dispatched from Foochow about ten days ago for the South, laden with no less than 12,000 rifles and a considerable amount of ammunition. The junks were escorted by a couple of Government cruisers. It is stated that two more instalments comprising 30,000 more rifles are to follow the first. This will enable Viceroy Tsen to have within a short time no less than 280,000 good, serviceable rifles of modern make available for use in Kwangsi province, and in this number are included also the modern arms of precision already in Kwangsi when H.E. arrived there nearly three months ago. Besides these small arms, Viceroy Tsen, who is an enthusiastic admirer of rapid-fire field guns, has at the present moment no less than seventy-six of them of various calibres, ranging from fifteen pounders to forty-five pounders of the Armstrong type, whilst among this number are also twenty-nine Krupp guns of modern make. All of these field-pieces are well provided with smokeless powder, shell case shot, and shrapnel. Batteries have been formed and the gunners are being constantly drilled and exercised by experienced instructors. The *N. C. D. N.* says, it is stated that not counting a reserve of 40,000 men, Viceroy Tsen anticipates to be able to put in the field 160,000 well-armed, well-drilled and well-paid troops by the beginning of next spring.

CUSTOMS CHANGES.

The following changes among seniors in the Customs service have been ordered and are in process of being carried out.—Mr. F. A. Morgan, Commissioner at Swatow, is transferred to Soochow, vice Mr. Clarke who proceeds on leave. Mr. Frank Smith, at present Deputy Commissioner at Amoy, succeeds Mr. Morgan at Swatow, as Acting Commissioner. Mr. Farago, who has just completed his thirty years of Customs service, retires. Mr. Farago, a Hungarian, was the first commissioner to represent the Dual Monarchy in the Chinese service. He is replaced in his present post at Pakhoi by Mr. J. C. Johnston, who ranks as Acting Commissioner. Mr. Johnston was well known here some years ago as Deputy Commissioner in the Shanghai Customs. Mr. Johnston's present post, that of Deputy Commissioner at Canton, will be taken by Mr. Fred. Maye coming out from home on the expiry of leave. Mr. W. G. Lay, the present Deputy Commissioner at Shanghai, is leaving in a few days for home, his place in the Shanghai office being taken by Mr. Innocent, whom we congratulate on passing, we hope permanently, from the ranks of the assistants, after a long service career all over the coast.—*China Gas.*

HAWAIIAN SUGAR REFINERY.

A Honolulu wire says that local sugar planters do not take kindly to the idea of a sugar refinery being established there, the chief objection to the proposition being that refined sugar, transported to the continent in bags is very likely to spoil and if boxes or barrels are used the cost of the package would be so large as to greatly diminish the profits of such a venture. The planters also say that the California market is insufficient to warrant the erection of a refinery simply to supply that market. Most of the raw sugar now leaving there goes to the Atlantic Coast via the Horn, and in shipping in this manner planters are enabled to realize a profit on their product which, they argue, would be lost should the sugar be shipped from there in a refined state.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.	
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	110 1/2
" Bank Bills, on demand	110 5/16
" Credits, 4 months' sight	110 1/16
" Dime, 4 months' sight	10 13/16
ON BERLIN, (demand)	111.89 1/2
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	111.89 1/2
" Credits, 4 months' sight	112.34
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	23 3/4
" Credits, 30 days' sight	45 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	138 1/2
" On demand	138 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	72 1/2
" Private 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	90
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$110.05
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	\$7.75
Bar Silver	27 7/16

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.	
Malwa New	@ 920/950
" LAST YEAR	@ 980/1,030
" OLDEST	@ 1,501/1,090
Patna New	@ 1,400
BENARAS NEW	@ 1,400
PERSIAN (PAPER)	@ 750/350

To-day's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HAILONG."

Captain Evans will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 30th inst. at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage apply to DOUGLAS, LAIRDALE & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. [1181]

To-day's Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 5th day of October, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Peak Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.	
Boundary Measurements.	Annual Rent.
1. A piece of land, situate at the corner of the road leading from the Peak Road to the Victoria Park, containing an area of 1,000 square feet, more or less.	\$100.00
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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS. FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. THE Company's Steamship "ERNEST SIMONS," Captain Dupuy Fromy, will be despatched for the above Ports, on or about MONDAY, the 5th October. For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. [1004c]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CRYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIAN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"SIMLA," Captain C. D. Goldsmith, R.N.R., carrying H. M. S. Mails, will be despatched from this port BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 10th October, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steam proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, or other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after the 1st October, at 4 P.M., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LIMITED.

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. [1182c]

To-day's Advertisements.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH CO., LIMITED.

HONGKONG STATION.

REFERRING to Notice of 20th December, 1902, and subsequent Notices, Senders of Telegrams are hereby advised that from 1st October, 1903, the Currency equivalent of the Franc will, subject to revision after Three

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 1st October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"TANTALUS"	On 7th October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"ANTANOR"	On 14th October.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 21st October.

S.S. "CALCHAS" left Singapore on 26th inst. a.m. and may be expected to arrive here on or about 1st October.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"GLAUCUS"	On 29th September.
LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 13th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"PAK LING"	On 27th October.

S.S. "GLAUCUS" from Shanghai has arrived.
* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and ALL PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	"CALCHAS"	On 2nd October.
	"OANFA"	On 2nd November.

S.S. "MACHAON" left Victoria 2nd inst. for Japan and Hongkong.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW AND SHANGHAI	"WHAMPOA"	29th September.
NINGPO AND SHANGHAI	"SHAOHSING"	30th "
MANILA, CEBU AND ILOILO	"HUPEH"	30th "
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE	"TAIYUAN"	2nd October.
CHIFFO and TIENTSIN	"KWEIYANG"	2nd "
CHINGTU	"CHINGTU"	5th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	5th "
MANILA	"SUNGSIANG"	7th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1903.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon carried.—All the most up-to-
date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty	AMOI, MANILA, ILOILO	TUESDAY, 29th Sept., at Noon.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 3rd Oct., at 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 10th Oct., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1903.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,

FOR

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	Oct. 14, 1903.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Nov. 14, "
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Dec. 14, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	TUESDAY, 29th Sept.
FOR FOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	SUNDAY, 4th Oct.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	SUNDAY, 4th Oct.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	K. Akashi	

* Via SWATOW and AMOI.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Japan, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co.'s steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA's steamers to Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

HONGKONG-MANILA.

REDUCED SALOON PAS-
SAGE MONEY.

SINGLE, \$20. RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric
Light, First Class Accommodation. Un-
rivalled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1903. [804e]

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw
Steamer

"KWONG CHOW,"

1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONG-
KONG for CANTON at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS,

TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning

to Hongkong the following days leaving

CANTON at 5 P.M. Unexcelled Accommoda-
tion for First Class Passengers. Ship lighted

throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare, \$4 Single Journey.

Meals \$1 each.

The Company's Wharf is West of the Hong-
kong Harbour Master's Office.SHIU ON S.S. CO., LTD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1903. [1322e]

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week
Days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays,
at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao, Week Days at about

2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.

FARE.—(Week Days) 1st Class (including
cabin and servant), \$3; Return Ticket, \$5.

2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.

On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class
Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. ReturnTicket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with
accommodations for two or more passengers.WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok
Street.The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY
SUNDAY. It takes only 3½ hours to reach

Macao.

MING ON & CO.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [11073e]

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND
VLADIVOSTOCK.

THE Steamship

"SAVOIA,"

Captain Deinat, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 2nd October,

at Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First Class Passengers and carries a Doctor.For Freight or Passage, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [1140e]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

MANILA LINE.

REGULAR SERVICE

BETWEEN HONGKONG AND
MANILA IN 48 HOURS.Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled.
Unrivalled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Steamship.

Captain.

Tons.

Sailing Date.

ROSETTA MARU H. S. Smith | 3,876 | TUESDAY, 29th instant, at 11 A.M. |ROHILLA MARU E. P. Bishop | 3,869 | SATURDAY, 3rd October, at 11 A.M. |For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House
Street.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [1711e]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"

Captain J. G. Oliff, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 29th instant,

at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LIMITED.

Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [1137e]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SAXONIA,"

Captain Brehmer, will be despatched for the
above Ports on THURSDAY, the 1st October,

at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [1153e]

FOR SINGAPORE AND CALCUTTA.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SAMBIA,"

Captain Schmidt, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on THURSDAY, the 1st October,

at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [1146e]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND
ADELAIDE.(Calling at MANILA, PORT DARWIN and
QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through
Cargo to New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"GUTHRIE,"

Captain Dabell, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on or about FRIDAY, the 9th

October.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for
Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber,which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions,
Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.This Steamer is installed throughout with the
Electric Light.For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [1147e]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOI AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"THALES"

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 29th instant,

at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS, LAFFRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1903. [1169e]

CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

司公限有船輪華中

FOR MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, MAN-
ZANILLO, MEXICO AND
SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Steamship

"LOTHIAN,"

Captain J. C. Williamson, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th

October, at Noon.

For Freight, apply at the Company's Offices,
No. 20, Des Vaux Road.J. S. VAN BUREN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1903. [436e]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Steamship

"GUTHRIE,"

Captain Dabell, will be despatched for the
above Port, on or about FRIDAY, the 9th

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This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for
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Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.This Steamer is installed throughout with the
Electric Light.For Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [1148e]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGA-
TION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT),
Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, CAL-
CUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ
and PORT SAID.(Taking Cargo at through Rates to the BRAZILS,
to SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA,
LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"FRANZ FERDINAND,"

Captain Matcovich, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 21st October.For Information as to Passage and Freight
apply toSANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents.

Princes' Buildings.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [1108e]

"INDRA" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.This vessel brings on Cargo—
From London, &c., ex S.S. "Arcadia."
From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P.
S. N. Co.'s Steamers.Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
1 P.M. TO-DAY.Goods not cleared by the 30th instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignee's
and the Company's representative at an ap-
pointed hour.All claims must be presented within ten days
of the steamer's arrival here after which date
they cannot be recognised.No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1903. [14]

"INDRA" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"INDRAMAYO,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in
the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.Goods not cleared by the 2nd October, at
Noon, will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.All damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns, and a certificate of the damage
obtained from the Godown Company within
ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after
which no claims will be recognised.Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
Noon, TO-DAY.JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. [1172e]

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN
CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most
respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind
patronage and support, and desires to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds
of NEEDLE WORK.Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Collars
and Collars renewed on old ones.Ladies' and Children's Underclothing, Children's
Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery,
Machine can be supplied, if required.The Superiores will also be most grateful
for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made
into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools.

who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1903.

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW
YORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"NORDKYN,"

Captain A. Beer, will be despatched as above
on SATURDAY, the 17th October.

To be followed by the Steamship

"HERMISTON,"

Captain W. T. Bain, on or about WEDNES-
DAY, the 16th November.For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [1095e]

Shipping—Steamer.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

Steamers Expected.

Shipping Reports.

VISITORS AT THE HOTELS

THE SHARE MARKET

STOCKS.		PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.				
National Bank of China, Ltd.	\$	125	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8 = \$18 for half-year ending 30.6.1903.	\$224
Do. Founders.	£	1	3 1/4 = \$1.96 1/2 for 1902	\$281 b.
			None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$	100	60 per cent = \$30 per share for 1901	\$520
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$	25	16 % = \$4 for year ended 30.4.1902.	\$61
North China In. Co., Ltd.	£	25	Interim of \$1 for 1902.	Tls. 225 s.
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$	60	20 % = \$12 for 1901	\$135 b.
Antoni In. Office, Ltd.	\$	50	28 % = \$14 per share for 1901	\$185 b.
FIRE INSURANCES.				
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$	50	\$22 1/2 per share for 1901	\$125 s.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$	20	\$6 per share for 1901	\$89 b.
SHIPPING.				
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$	15	\$1 1/2 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	\$32 1/2
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	£	10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902.	\$86
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	£	50	10 % = \$5 per share for 1902.	\$19 s.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$	50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903.	\$34 ex. div.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$	5	\$1.20 = 12 % for year ending 30.6.1903	\$17
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£	1	60 cts. = 30/403	\$127
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	£1.2.6 s.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	Interim of 2 % for 1903	Tls. 40
Do. Preference.	Tls.	50	Interim of 4 % = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 50 1/2
			Interim of 3 1/2 % = Tls. 1.75	
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$	100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1901	\$98
Luxon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$	100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	Fin. of 7 % for year ending 30.6.02	Tls. 60 sa.
MINING.				
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$	11	None	\$1 1/2
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr.	250	Fin. of Frs. 30 making Frs. 60 for 1902	\$600 s.
Kaib Australasian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£	10.18.10	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$8 1/2 s.
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.	£	1	No. 1 of 1/6 per share 10.10.02	Tls. 6.50 sa.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.				
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$	50	12 % = \$6 for 1/2 year 30.6.03	\$206 s.
C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	Tls.	100	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 15 for year ending 30.4.03	Tls. 136 sa.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$	50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903.	\$87 sa.
Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$	62	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$37 1/2
Wanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	Tls.	100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 215 sa.
HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.				
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$	10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1902	\$9 1/2 sa.
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$	100	Interim of \$6 for 1903	\$153 sa.
Hongkong Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$	30	\$2.30 per share for 1902	\$95 s.
East Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$	50	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1903	\$50 sa.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$	50	\$6 for first 1/2 year 1903	\$145 b.
Oriente Hotel Co., Ltd. (Manila)	\$	50	8 % = \$4 for 1/2 year ending 31.12.1900	\$57 b.
Star House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	\$	25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$28 1/2 sa.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	Tls.	25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 15 sa.
Wanghai Hotel (Wei-hai-wei)	Tls.	25	First year	Tls. 25
Ameypreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$	10	9 per cent. for 1902	\$10 1/2 b.
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 106 b.
COTTON MILLS.				
Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$	10	Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for 1902/1903	\$14 1/2 b.
Wing Wo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	3 % for period ended 31.10.97	Tls. 35 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Tls.	100	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 40 s.
Cou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls.	100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 35 sa.
Yee Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls.	500	4 % for period ended 31.12.00	Tls. 200
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.				
Sambara, Ltd.	\$	500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$250 b.
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	\$	50	None	\$15 b.
Wanghai - Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls.	20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 53 s.
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$	10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$22 1/2 b.
Ma-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$	12	First year	\$9 1/2 s.
S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$	10	Interim of 5 % for 1902	\$5 1/2 s.
Watkins, Ltd.	\$	10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$8 1/2 s.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$	10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$	5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	£	10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong & China Gas Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$	50	\$10 for 1902	\$145
Yee Chee & Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$	25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1902	\$47 1/2
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$	25	Interim of \$1 for 1903	\$250 s.
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$	100	\$18 for year ending 31.11.1902	\$320 s.
Wing Wo Farm Co., Ltd.	\$	6	75 cents for year ending 31.7.1902	\$12 b.
Hongkong & China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$	50	5 per cent. = \$2 1/2 for 1901	\$40
Wanghai, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$	10	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 s.
Wanghai, Moore & Co., Ltd.	£	10.12.6.		\$4 s.
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